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In the Claims:**Claim 1-27 (canceled).****Claim 28 (new):** A method comprising steps of:

covering a first area in a dielectric, said dielectric having a first dielectric constant;
exposing a second area in said dielectric to a dielectric conversion source so as to increase
said first dielectric constant of said dielectric in said second area to a second dielectric constant;
wherein said dielectric conversion source comprises E-beams.

Claim 29 (new): A method comprising steps of:

covering a first area in a dielectric, said dielectric having a first dielectric constant;
exposing a second area in said dielectric to a dielectric conversion source so as to increase
said first dielectric constant of said dielectric in said second area to a second dielectric constant;
wherein said dielectric conversion source comprises I-beams.

Claim 30 (new): A method comprising steps of:

covering a first area in a dielectric, said dielectric having a first dielectric constant;
exposing a second area in said dielectric to a dielectric conversion source so as to increase
said first dielectric constant of said dielectric in said second area to a second dielectric constant;
wherein said dielectric conversion source comprises an amine based chemical.

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Claim 31 (new): A method comprising steps of:

covering a first area in a dielectric, said dielectric having a first dielectric constant;

exposing a second area in said dielectric to a dielectric conversion source so as to increase said first dielectric constant of said dielectric in said second area to a second dielectric constant;

wherein said dielectric conversion source comprises oxygen plasma.